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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Jeremy Minshull, *et al.*

Application No.: 09/920,607

Filed: July 31, 2001

For: BIOSENSORS, REAGENTS AND DIAGNOSTIC
APPLICATIONS OF DIRECTED EVOLUTION

Examiner: My Chau T. Tran

Art Unit: 1639

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks address the Office Action mailed July 11, 2006. A petition for a three month extension of time authorizing the Commissioner to charge the requisite fee pursuant 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 is enclosed. The petition thus effectively extends the period of response from October 11, 2006 to January 11, 2007.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this submission.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 10 of this submission.

Remarks begin on page 31 of this submission.